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**Tokyo, Japan**



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**Agricultural Specialist (TOKYO)**

Announcement Number #158

**OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates  
**POSITION:** Agricultural Specialist (A93004)  
**GRADE:** \*FSN-9, \*\*FS-5/1 (trainee); \*FSN-10, \*\*FS-5/5 (full performance)

**OPENING DATE:** October 11, 2005  
**CLOSING DATE:** October 25, 2005  
**WORK HOURS:** Full Time 40 hours/week  
**SALARY:** \*\*Not-Ordinarily Resident: FS-5/1 US\$38,636 p.a. (trainee)  
\*\*Not-Ordinarily Resident: FS-5/5 US\$43,485 p.a. (full performance)  
(salary subject to confirmation by Washington)  
\*Ordinarily Resident: FSN-9 ¥10,428,220 p.a. (trainee)  
\*Ordinarily Resident: FSN-10 ¥11,340,565 p.a. (full performance)

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Salary may vary depending on the qualifications of the successful candidate.
2. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.
3. All ordinarily resident applicants must have the required residency permits to be eligible for consideration. Please state citizenship; all applicants who are not Japanese citizens must present proof of visa.
4. U.S. taxes are deducted for all U.S. citizens and U.S. Legal Permanent Residents (green card holders).
5. The U.S. Embassy does not accept hand-delivered applications from outside the Embassy community. Please send by post, courier, or fax. All applications postmarked by the closing date will be accepted.

**THE U.S. EMBASSY IS SEEKING:** an Agricultural Specialist to provide expertise to American Officers at the U.S. Embassy regarding the Japanese market, policy infrastructure, and developments relating to agricultural commodities, specifically wood and fishery products. This person will write reports that include trade data and market updates, advise Management on developments that could affect trade in assigned commodities, and develop a wide variety of contacts in industry and the Japanese Government. In addition, this person will be responsible for coordinating issues related to sanitary and phytosanitary problems as well as food safety and occasionally acts as translator of articles and interpreter for meetings on technical issues.

**QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:** All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item. Please see the "TIPS FOR APPLYING" page on our website for more details: <http://japan.usembassy.gov/e/info/tinfo-jobs.html>.

### **--- TRAINEE LEVEL ---**

1. Education: Bachelor's degree (or host country equivalent) in one of the following areas: economics, marketing, agriculture, international trade/relations, science, law, or English literature, is required.
2. Prior Work Experience: Two to four years of progressively responsible experience in a profession related to agricultural trade is required.
3. Language Proficiency: Level IV (Fluent) Speaking/Reading/Writing English and Level IV (Fluent) Speaking/Reading/Writing Japanese with special knowledge of technical terminology in agriculture and economics are required.
4. Knowledge: Understanding of basic economic principles, Japanese trade organizations and distribution channels for agricultural products and operations of relevant Japanese Ministries is required. Incumbent is expected to have some contacts in industry and/or government already established.
5. Skills and Abilities: : Must be able to obtain and evaluate market data from a wide variety of sources and prepare complete English drafts for all scheduled reports is required. Basic computer skills, including spreadsheets and word-processing, is required.

### **--- FULL PERFORMANCE LEVEL ---**

1. Education: Bachelor's degree (or host country equivalent) in one of the following areas: economics, marketing, agriculture, international trade/relations, science, law, or English literature, is required.
2. Prior Work Experience: Four to six years of progressively responsible experience in a profession related to agricultural trade is required.
3. Language Proficiency: Level IV (Fluent) Speaking/Reading/Writing English and Level IV (Fluent) Speaking/Reading/Writing Japanese with special knowledge of technical terminology in agriculture and economics are required.
4. Knowledge: Understanding of basic economic principles, Japanese trade organizations and distribution channels for wood and fishery products and operations of relevant Japanese Ministries is required. An established network of key contacts in Japanese industry and government is required. Understanding of sanitary and phytosanitary issues affecting agricultural trade is required.
5. Skills and Abilities: Must be able to obtain and evaluate market data from a wide variety of sources and prepare complete English drafts for all scheduled reports is required. Basic computer skills, including spreadsheets and word processing, is required.

### **ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA:**

1. When equally qualified, Appointment Eligible Family Members and U.S. Veterans will be given preference.
2. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
3. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
4. Currently employed AEFGMs are ineligible to apply within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.

### **APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:**

1. An application for U.S. Federal Employment (SF-171 or OF-612), or a current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information as the OF-612;
2. Any other documentation (e.g., test scores, essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements; and
3. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application.

Applications are available at <http://japan.usembassy.gov/e/info/tinfo-jobs.html> or contact the Human Resources office.

### **SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:**

Human Resources Office, ATT: Miriam Tokumasu  
1-10-5, Akasaka, Minato-ku,  
Tokyo 107-8420

### **POINT OF CONTACT:**

Miriam Tokumasu  
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### **DEFINITIONS:**

1. EFM: Family Members at least 18yrs. listed on the travel orders of a Foreign or Civil Service or Uniformed Service member permanently assigned to, or stationed to, a US Foreign Service post or establishment abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority who do not meet the definition of AEFGM below.

2. AEFM: An EFM eligible for direct hire employment on either a Family Member Appointment (FMA) or Temporary Appointment (TEMP) who meets all of the following criteria: 1) US citizen; 2) Spouse or dependent who is at least age 18; 3) Listed on the travel orders of a Foreign, Civil, or Uniformed Service member permanently assigned to, or stationed at, a US Foreign Service post or establishment abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority; 4) Is resident at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad, approved safehaven abroad, or alternate safehaven abroad; and 5) Does not receive a USG annuity or pension based on a career in the US Civil, Foreign, or Uniformed Services.
3. Member of Household: A MOH is a person who: 1) Has accompanied, but is not/not on the travel orders of a U.S. citizen Foreign or Civil Service employee or uniform service member permanently assigned to or stationed at a U.S. Foreign service post or establishment abroad; 2) Has been declared by the sponsoring employee to the Chief of Mission as part of his/her household; and 3) Resides at post with the sponsoring employee.
4. Ordinarily Resident (OR): A citizen of the host country or a citizen of another country who has shifted the main residency focus to the host country and has the required work and/or residency permits for employment in country.
5. Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): Typically NORs are AEFMs and EFM of FS, GS, and uniform service members who are on the travel orders and under Chief of Mission authority, or other personnel having diplomatic privileges and immunities.